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9M0S, SPRATLY ISLANDS. Martti Laine, OH2BH, was heard talking to Wayne, N7NG, this past weekend about the latest details of the 9M0S DXpedition. The DXpedition team (OH2BH, N7NG, OH1NYP, OH2MAK, AB6NJ, WA6AUE, JA5DQH, 9V1YW, 9M2FK and 9M6TC) plan to depart from East Malaysia by plane and fly directly to Spratly. Departure time is 7 AM from 9M6-land on May 27th. It is only a one and one-half hour flight to Spratly, so they plan to be on the air in the afternoon. Operation will last 6 1/2 days.

CW: 1827, 3502/3522, 7002/7022, 10102, 14022, 18072, 21022, 24892,
28022 kHz

SSB: 1827, 3792, 7062, 14195, 18102, 21295, 24932, 28495 kHz

The satellite operations are supported by the U.S. OSCAR 13 Group and maintained by OH2MAK. During the CQ WPX CW Contest stations will be transmitting 1kHz above CW band edges.

9E, ERITREA. There is a rumor that two JA operations are planned for here towards the end of month. Call signs are apparently already assigned, but the operators do not wish to publicize them.

IOTA NA-110. Dr. Rick Dorsch will be active as NE8Z/1C0 from Hilton Head Island, South Carolina. Activity will be from June 19-27, on the following frequencies: SSB IOTA freq 14260, 21260 and 28460; CW is plus 5kHz and 25 kHz up on 40-10 meters. QSL Manager is K8LJG, John Kroll, 3528 Craig Drive, Flint, MI 48506.

KH9, WAKE ISLAND. The following information was supplied by Javier, AH6MM, about a DXpedition that is still "IN THE WORKS": The Cal Poly Amateur Radio CLUB W6BHZ (ITS STUDENT MEMBERS) are organizing a DXpedition/Radio Wave Propagation experiment to WAKE ISLAND KH9 for late August and early September. Permission has been received from "some" of the necessary U.S. AIR FORCE authorities. This is being organized as a "MAJOR" DXpedition and Propagation Experiments to KH9 by the students of California Polytechnic State University and the Cal Poly Amateur Radio Club W6BHZ.

There will be 6 operators and activity will be on CW, SSB, RTTY and OSCAR Satellites and all bands (160-6 meters). MOONBOUNCE equipment might be brought if enough funds are received to get equipment to WAKE (This is being done on a college student budget so they might need help).

This is "UNOFFICIAL INFORMATION", but they expect the last remaining documents to be received in the next 2 to 3 weeks. More details and

information will be released later as it is received. Also, Javier, mentioned he will be working and operating in Finland this summer (more details next week).

KH0, SAIPAN. Dave, KE2PF, will be active before the end of the month from here and other remotely islands. The remotely islands, which consist of Sarigan Island, Pagan Island, Maug Island, Guguan Island and Aguijan Island, will please many IOTA chasers because they have never been on the air before. He plans to spend a day or so on each island.

S0, WESTERN SAHARA. OPDX has obtained two letters from Arseli Echeguren Bardeci, EA2JG (R.A.S.D Amateur Manager), stating that portable S0 operations are not allowed at the present time in the country. The station operating KA3KJH/S0 has not received any permission to operate portable S0. The one letter also states KA3KJH/S0 is not operating inside S0 territory. At the present time, the only legal active stations of operation are: S0RASD (Club Station), S01A (Naama Zeine Edinne), S01B (Azman Mohammed) and S01MZ (Manfud Zein). The only temporary operations and DXpeditions that were legal are: S01EA, S01LYNX, S02UN, S03UN and S01DX. Both letters were originally sent to the ARRL in March.

T2, TUVALU. Juan, T20JC, is apparently a new licensee on the island. He has been heard a few times on 14247 kHz between 0330-0500z. It was reported that Juan is with the Peace Corps. QSL via KL7H.

V6, MICRONESIA. Greta, HB9ARC, attending the Asian YL-meeting in Osaka, met with Minami, JQ3EEL, and was told he would be going to Micronesia as V63SM, June 18-20. He will be active on SSB (21240, 7070), CW (21040, 7007) and on the satellites (145.930 or 145.890). QSL to: P.O. Box 88, Moriguci, 570, Japan.

ZD9, TRISTAN DE CUNHA AND GOUGH ISLAND. Andy, ZD9BV, and his wife Lorraine, ZD9C0, are the only hams on Tristan de Cunha. They can only operate until midnight local time because the town's generator goes off at that time. Andy frequents 21260 kHz around 1830z and 21313 kHz at 1800z. His wife sometimes shows on the YL/NET at 21313 kHz around 1830z and another net on 21355 kHz at 1930z. Both can be QSLed to W4FRU.

Alain, ZD9CQ, is on Gough Island through November. He mainly works 20 and 40 meters on SSB. QSL via ZS6AS.

DXAC HAPPENINGS. Reported in the DXAC's Monthly Report, the DXAC Chairman Bob Beatty, W4VQ, has scheduled two votes for the week of July 5th:

- 1) The DXAC was requested to consider an endorsement for the DXCC award for those attaining Honor Roll status for single-band and mode-peculiar endorseable DXCC awards.
- 2) The Southern California DX Club proposes a change of DXCC in Criteria Point 2 from a separation between a Point 1 island nation and the first island from 225 miles to a separation of 100 miles and from the first island to subsequent islands of 500 miles to 100 miles. The intent is to "increase the number of countries for the pursuit of DX".

NEW CALL SIGN PREFIXES FOR "The Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS)"

as reported by the Russian newspaper, "Patriot".

4J - Azerbaydzhan	EY - Tadzhikistan
4L - Georgia	EZ - Turkmeniya
EK - Armenia	R, UA to UI, 4K - Russia
ER - Moldova	UJ to UM, UR to UZ, EM, EO - Ukraine
EU, EV, EW - Belarus	UN, UO, UP, UQ - Kazakhstan
EX - Kyrgyzstan	

Uzbekistan was missing from the list. There was no indication of implementation dates nor what would be the status of current call signs that do not conform to this outline.

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